# Mt. Hood National Forest Mushroom Incidental Free Use Guidelines

The amount of mushrooms that may be harvested for free and transported **without** a permit is limited to 1 gallon per **vehicle** per day.

This amount of picking is considered and defined as "incidental free use". As part of this incidental free use, you must keep these guidelines with you while picking on and transporting mushrooms from the Mt. Hood National Forest.

Harvesting mushrooms is allowed forest wide on the Mt. Hood National Forest with the following exceptions and guidelines:

- If you and the occupants of any vehicle would like to pick and transport more than 1 gallon of mushrooms per day (maximum 10 days per year), you will need a free use mushroom permit, available at all offices of the Mt. Hood National Forest. Contact our offices for more information.
- Fee permits are required for all commercial use, and to pick more than 1 gallon of mushrooms per person per day, also available at all Mt. Hood National Forest offices.
- To pick mushrooms in the "Old Maid Flat" area of the Zigzag Ranger District, you must have prior approval from the Zigzag Ranger Station. You are required to have a **free use permit** and a site map of the area in your possession while harvesting in this area. Contact Zigzag Ranger District, 70220 E. Hwy 26, Zigzag, OR 97049, phone #503-622-3191 to obtain approval, permit, and a site map.
- No harvesting is allowed in Late-Successional Reserves, Research Natural Areas, Botanical Areas, campgrounds, summer homes, and other developed recreation sites. The Mt. Hood National Forest Mushroom Harvest Maps designate areas open to mushroom picking and are available at all Mt. Hood National Forest offices.
- Mushrooms gathered under "free incidental use" (1 gallon per vehicle per day) may not be sold or exchanged [36 CFR 261.6 (f)].
- Practice good ethics. Don't pick an area clean of mushrooms.
- It is acceptable to cut or pull mushrooms at ground level. However, replace displaced ground material and divots.
- Do not use rakes to gather mushrooms as this method creates too much disturbance.
- Remember: If you pack it in, pack it out!

### Mt. Hood National Forest Offices and Hours

## **Barlow Ranger District - Dufur Ranger Station**

780 NE Court Street Dufur, Oregon 97021 (541) 467-2291

Office hours: 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday.

## **Clackamas River Ranger District**

595 NW Industrial Way Estacada, OR 97023 (503) 630-6861

Office hours: 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday.

**Beginning May 19<sup>th</sup>** the office will be open Monday thru Saturday, closed Sundays and all holidays.

### **Hood River Ranger District**

6780 Highway 35 Parkdale, OR 97041 (541) 352-6002

Office hours: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday.

**Beginning June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the office will be open Monday thru Saturday, closed Sundays and all holidays.

## **Zigzag Ranger District**

70220 E. Highway 26 Zigzag, OR 97049 (503) 622-3191

Office hours: 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday.

Please contact the Zigzag Ranger District after May 19<sup>th</sup> to find out this location's summer office hours.

### Mt. Hood National Forest, Headquarters Office

16400 Champion Way Sandy, Oregon 97055 (503) 668-1700

Office hours: 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday (closed 11:30-12:30).

Please contact the Headquarters Office after May 19<sup>th</sup> to find out this location's summer office hours.